IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

FRIDAY, THE 15TH JUNE 2007 / 25TH JYAISHTA 1929

WP(C).No. 18504 of 2007(C)

PETITIONER:

MUSTHAFA,
S/O. ABU,
ANCHERY VALAPPIL,
THUPRANGODE,
TIRUR TALUK, MALAPPURAM DISTRICT.

BY ADV. SRI.K.P.SUDHEER

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR,
MALAPPURAM.

2. THE SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
TIRUR POLICE STATION,
TIRUR, MALAPPURAM DISTRICT.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. I.V. PRAMOD

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 15 /06 /2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S. SIRI JAGAN, J.

W.P.(C)NO.18504 OF 2007

DATED THIS THE 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2007

JUDGMENT

The petitioner's vehicle bearing registration No.KL-10-E 7254 has been seized by the respondents on allegations of transportation of river sand illegally. The petitioner seeks interim custody of the vehicle pending passing of final orders by the 1st respondent.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Government pleader.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, there would be a direction to the 1st respondent to pass final orders in the matter expeditiously. Pending passing of final orders, the vehicle shall be released to the petitioner on his paying an amount of Rs.25,000/- and producing proof of ownership of the vehicle. This is subject to further condition that the petitioner shall not alienate or otherwise part with possession of the vehicle, till final orders are passed by the 1st respondent.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

S. SIRI JAGAN, JUDGE

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